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1. LETTER WAS DELIVERED TO AFTERNOON			
7 DECEMBER EXPRESSED HIMSELF AS BEING MOST GRATEFUL			
FOR RAPIDITY OF WOFIRM RESPONSE AND STATED HE PARTICULARLY			
INDEBTED FOR THOROUGH AND SAGE ADVICE FURNISHED IN			
LETTER AND VIA DIRECTOR 68800. NAS APOLOGETIC FOR			
HAVING INTRUDED ON _ TIME IN THIS MATTER, BUT STATED HE			
FELT COMPELLED TO CONSULT WITH US IN VIEW OUR INTEREST AND EQUITIES			
IN FELFE CASE.			
2. CATUSK'S SWITCH PROPOSAL WAS ABANDONED AFTER THE			
CHANCELL OR VOTED NO AS COULD BE EXPECTED, PRINCIPALLY ON POLITICAL			
GROUNDS (I.E., PRESERVATION OF GRAND COALITION, AT LEAST AT THIS			
TINE) AN ASPECT WHICH HAD ALSO BEEN TAKEN INTO CONSIDERATION			
IN GUIDANCE FROM WOF IRM.			
3. THE PHYSICAL EXCHANGE OF FELFE ON 14 FEB WILL OCCUR AS			
PLANNED: 13 FEB WILL SEE THE TURN-OVER OF THE 20 EX-CATUSK AGENTS			
AND FAMILIES, TO BE FOLLOWED ON 14 FEB WITH FELFE AND THREE			
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STUDENTS BEING EXCHANGED. POINTED OUT THAT HE HAD MADE EVERY EFFORT AND USED ALL POSSIBLE ARGUMENTS TO PREVENT RELEASE OF FELFE, BUT HE WAS NOT EVEN ABLE TO SELL HIS SUGGESTION FOR POSTPONING EXCHANGE UNTIL AFTER PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS LATER THIS YEAR. FEELS THAT, NOW THAT DECISION HAS BEEN MADE, THE EXCHANGE SHOULD BE EXECUTED AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE TO DIVORCE IT FROM ADVERSE INFLUENCE ON PRESIDENTIAL ELECTIONS 5 MARCH. HE ALSO NOTED, WITHOUT PROMPTING, THAT EFFECTING EXCHANGE ON 14 FEB WOULD CLEAR THE DECKS ON THIS SUBJECT IN SUFFICIENT TIME PRIOR TO ARRIVAL OF PRESIDENT NIXON IN GERMANY.

4. AT CLOSE OF MEETING, Z REPEATED HIS APPRECIATION

AND STATED HE MOST GRATEFUL FOR TENOR AND TIMELINESS OF Z

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